

Informal Interviewd continued

Rene Smith, D.O.- Case #558

Dr. Smith was accompanied by his attorney, Kraig Marton. Dr. Smith's appearance before the Board was at his request. The Board reviewed a report from James Clubine describing his conversations with 3 of the people who signed complaints against Dr. Smith regarding what they considered to be inappropriate behavior with young female patients unconscious due to anesthesia in preparation for surgery. The Phoenix Indian Medical Center terminated Dr. Smith's probation period with them partially due to these 3 complaints. Mr. Marton brought a polygrapher along who administered a polygraph exam of Dr. Smith. The Board expressed concern that Dr. Smith was on two medications when the test was taken. Dr. Darby indicated he did the physicals for the police department prior to administering polygraph tests and he wouldn't allow an exam to be conducted if the person had taken any drugs within the previous week. The Board expressed dissatisfaction with the previous psychiatric examination ordered by the Board which Dr. Smith and his attorney also found unsatisfactory. Dr. Kopen then MOVED and Dr. Darby seconded to obtain another psychiatric evaluation. Motion CARRIED. Mrs. Tucker was instructed to arrange an appointment as soon as possible and then arrange for a conference call after distributing the psychiatric report to Board members and properly noticing the conference call meeting in accordance with the open meeting law.

PROBATIONARY INTERVIEWS

Kerriston Marsh, D.O.

Dr. Marsh's probationary period was to end in December 1985 but the Board extended it due to a concern over a new procedure instituted in Dr. Marsh's office called Exodermology. Staff was instructed to research the procedure and report back to the Board at the January meeting. The Board found nothing illegal about Exodermology though expressed some concerns about the risks involved in the procedure. The Board then reviewed the terms of Dr. Marsh's probation and the quarterly reports of his drug screens all of which were negative. The Board recognized the termination of Dr. Marsh's probation and wished him well.

James Gulick, D.O.

Dr. Gulick appeared before the Board to review his terms of probation which includes screening 10 charts selected from Dr. Gulick's office to determine if the practices which caused his probation have been corrected. All charts were found to be in order with one exception. The Board discussed their concerns about this patient with Dr. Gulick. Dr. Kopen then MOVED and Dr. Hershey seconded to continue the probation and have Dr. Gulick back before the Board in 6 months to review 20 charts. Motion CARRIED.

Steven Fielder, D.O.

The terms of Dr. Fielder's probation were reviewed which essentially concerned his administering a controlled substance to his wife in violation of the law. The Board expressed condolences as Dr. Fielder's wife died a few months ago. Ms. VanArsdell MOVED and Dr. Kopen seconded to end Dr. Fielder's probationary period. Motion CARRIED.